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Service held for victims of violence



Students, faculty, and community members from the area joined together on Tuesday to hold a vigil in honor of Michael Brown. Brown was killed on Aug. 9, sparking protests around the world.

MASON SWENSON | THE COLLEGIAN

By JON PARTON
THE COLLEGIAN

Police sirens echoed throughout Bosco Plaza Tuesday night, just as a group bowed their heads for a moment of silence to remember African-Americans killed by law enforcement.

Several people braved the 20 degree temperatures to gather for the event. The remembrance, although brought about by the police shooting of Michael Brown, expanded its focus on several other Americans shot and killed by the police.

Justice Davis, sophomore in marketing and Black Student Union president, said the recent failure to indict former Ferguson, Missouri police officer Darren Wilson in the shooting of Brown is indicative of a larger problem facing the country.

"The remembrance is not just for Michael Brown, but for all the victims of violence who have been targeted by law enforcement," Davis said. "It's not just a Michael Brown problem, it's not just a Ferguson problem. This is a nationwide issue."

From 2005 to 2012, almost twice a week, a black person was killed by a white officer, according to FBI statistics. Davis said she hopes people understand that the problem

transcends race and is a human rights issue. "Black people's lives are taken unjustly by law enforcement," Davis said. "We're not playing victims. This is the truth. This is the reality of the world we live in."

Pastor Jahvelle Rhone, of Manhattan Christian Fellowship, opened the remembrance with a message of unity before leading the group into a prayer.

"We have to realize the time we're living in," Rhone said. "We have to sober up and open up and we have to do it together."

Members of the Black Student Union took turns addressing the crowd, bringing up notable incidents of police shootings of black Americans who were later found to be innocent of any wrongdoing.

Tamir Rice, a 12-year-old boy in Cleveland, was shot and killed by police last month while playing with a toy cap gun in a park. Although police said they ordered Rice to drop the gun, a video was released that showed officers shooting the child two seconds after they arrived at the park.

Caleb Taylor, senior in biology, said he attended the remembrance because he believed in the cause.

"I feel like it's important to express your opinion," Taylor said. "We all have freedom of speech. I believe Gandhi said it best, you must 'be the change you wish to see in the world.' So if you see something wrong, be

that change, be that person who makes a difference."

Taylor said one of the ways the situation can be improved is through better representation in the police.

"A lot of times, police officers aren't from the community," Taylor said. "They just work in that community, so they don't have ties with the people and they don't know necessarily different communities."

Davis addressed the crowd about the Ferguson riots. Although she said she condemns the violence and destruction, she wants people to know where the anger comes from.

"You ask why these people tear up police cars, why they burn down police cars, why they're rioting throughout these communities," Davis said. "I'll tell you why. These people are tired of the conditions. They're tired of the situations and stories like this that happens to their kids."

She said the frustration comes from being targeted unfairly.

"Even Martin Luther King, who was a peaceful protester, even he said 'riots are the voice of the unheard,'" Davis said. "This is what they are. This is why they're doing what they're doing. I don't condone it at all, but I do know why they're doing it. They're trying to get their voice heard because obviously the court system isn't listening."

compiled by Kelsey Kendall

Distinguished professor recognized for vaccine research

Stephen Higgs, associate vice president for research and director of the Biosecurity Research Institute, was named president-elect of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene at the society's 63rd annual conference in New Orleans.

The organization is one of scientists, clinicians and program professionals that work to prevent and control diseases in mostly lower-income populations around the world. According to News and Communications Services, Higgs has been a member of the society since 1993 and has been involved in a variety of projects such as co-chairing the symposium "Detection of Chikungunya in the Western hemisphere – current situation and prospects for the future."

Fiscal policies approval at Riley County Health Department

The Riley County commissioners approved changes to the health department's fiscal policies at their meeting on Monday, which will take effect on Jan. 1. According to Brenda Nickel, county health department director, the changes were simply put down on paper what was already in practice.

"(The changes) are part of continuity of operations," Nickel said.

Nickel said the purpose of these changes is so employees who don't know a procedure, will be able to figure it out because there are set procedures. She hopes that these changes make operations "very transparent."

One important change is that the department will zero out any outstanding balances after two years of monthly payments. According to Nickel, this is because it costs the department too much to try to get people to pay off their balances and the odds of getting that revenue back are slim. More than 2,000 bills from 2009 through 2011 were sent by the health department last September, but more than 450 were returned due to changes of address. The department no longer has a way to contact those with outstanding balances. According to Nickel, it's easier for everyone to write-off the balances after two years.

Sign-ups for christmas baskets start today

The Flint Hills Breadbasket will begin sign-ups to receive christmas baskets today from 9-11:00 a.m. According to Mary Beth Kieffer, Flint Hills Breadbasket executive director, the baskets will provide traditional holiday food items to help families in need prepare an at home meal. Kieffer said those who had signed up in November for the Thanksgiving baskets do not need to apply again, but those who were unable to sign-up before will be able to do so today and next Wednesday.

Kieffer said the Breadbasket gave out around 180 baskets at Thanksgiving this year and plan to give out 200 baskets for Christmas.

"Thank you so much to the donors and volunteers that help out," Kieffer said.

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City commission discusses rezoning, repercussions

By KELSEY KENDALL
THE COLLEGIAN

To start Tuesday's city commission meeting, Mayor Wynn Butler announced the "Sock It To 'Em Work Day," a campaign aimed to raise awareness for the homeless. The campaign will be Wednesday, Dec. 10. Manhattan residents are encouraged to post pictures of them outside without socks on the campaign's Facebook page.

Eric Cattell, assistant director for planning, presented the first reading of a proposed entrance sign for Professional Place, which

was approved by the commissioners. The sign will be 22-feet tall and 10-feet wide, internally lit and serve as a directory for the businesses on the lot.

Next on the general agenda was the first reading of a proposal from the North American Islamic Trust to rezone the residential lot near the Islamic Community Center on the intersection of Claflin Road and Hylton Heights Road. The lot would go from a single-family residential unit to a mixed-use planned unit development, in order to allow the building of a three-story, 13-unit apartment building. Also, a coffee shop will be connected to the building. Many Manhattan residents expressed

concerns over inadequate parking and possible traffic as a result of the rezoning.

Dolly Anderson, broker and owner of G&A Real Estate, has an office located across the street. According to Anderson, overflow from the Islamic Center's parking lot often ends up in her parking lot despite having signs posted saying the lot has restricted parking.

"I'm beginning to feel it's a matter of respect," Anderson said.

Anderson said despite her requests for the violators to move, the problem still persists. Representatives from the center argued that additional parking was added and the problem should be resolved. Because of this, many residents

felt that adding the apartment building would only make the parking situation worse. According to Cattell, the proposed plans for the parking lots and the number of parking stalls don't meet the fire code requirement. Cattell said this is normal, particularly for many religious centers in Manhattan.

"We've got these rules, and we're always shaving them a little," Karen McCulloh, city commissioner, said.

Other residents spoke about possible traffic problems and altered neighborhood image. The

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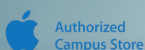
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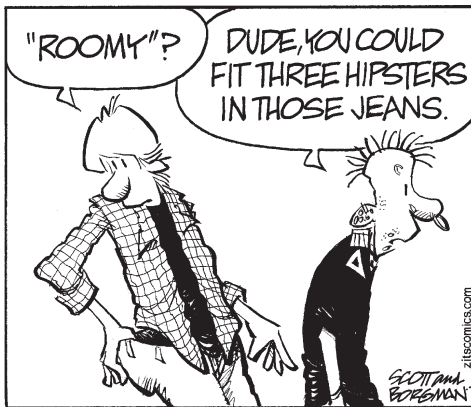
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By Dave Green

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Three festive shots to get the party going

KELLY IVERSON
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As finals approach, stress gets to everyone. At a time like this, it's good to cut loose one last time before you enter the perils of dead week and finals.

There are a plethora of cocktails and mixed drinks one could best describe as "fall-inspired" when throwing a party, but as college students, what really excites us are shot glasses and some hard liquor. I've tried to find the most delicious, crowd drawing shots that will surely get your party going.

What you will need:

Chocolate flavored syrup
Jar of cherries
Traditional shaker
Spiced rum
DeKuyper Buttershots
Green or sour apple vodka
Crave chocolate cherry liqueur
Bailey's Irish Cream
Preparation
Chill shot glasses before you use them for at least 20 minutes.

There are different ways to make all of these shots. Shakers are not necessarily needed if you can manage to layer the different liquids in the actual shot glass. However, for large crowds and getting drinks out sooner, shakers are usually the best way to go.

The Cherry Bombshell

Pour one ounce of chocolate syrup into the shaker followed by a half ounce of Bailey's Irish Cream. Shake with ice.

Before adding your mixture to the shot glass, rim the top part with chocolate syrup, the best way to do this was to take about half a spoonful of chocolate syrup and put it around the rim. Top it off with a sliced cherry on the side of the glass.

The Caramel Apple Shot

Mix one ounce of both the DeKuyper Buttershots and sour apple vodka into the shaker with ice, then pour into a chilled shot glass.

The Butter Ball

Pour one ounce of your second DeKuyper Buttershots, a half ounce Bailey's Irish Cream and one ounce spiced rum into your ice-filled shaker. Strain and pour into your chilled shot glass.

Invest now in snow supplies for bad Kansas weather later

BY EMILY MOORE
THE COLLEGIAN

Kansas weather is known to be a ridiculous roller coaster, no matter what season. Which means that at any moment, especially during the winter, we need to be prepared for another snowpocalypse of sorts. Once it happens, it is too late to go to the store, you are snowed in for who knows how long?

Here's a list of investments for a surprise Kansas blizzard, based on what your living situation might be:

If you live in the dorms:

You won't have to worry about shoveling your way out the door because (lucky you) someone else will do that for you. What is important for those who live in the dorms is to stock up on food. Buy at least a few cans of soup or other

microwavable meals and set them aside just in case a storm hits.

Cash is another important thing to make sure you have in case it snows. This may sound odd, but cash may allow for you to order delivery or even buy food from Quik Cats in case the power goes out.

If you live in an apartment:

If you live in an apartment, especially one with an outdoor set of stairs, ice is a dangerous element to consider. Things to invest in, to limit your chances of falling down the stairs or sidewalk, are de-icing salts, sand or an ice scraper.

When living in an apartment, it may also be a wise investment to buy a shovel, just in case your sidewalk or parking lot gets snowed in and you want to help out your landlord.

If you live in a house:

A shovel is an important investment for a home so that you are prepared to shovel your driveway, if necessary.

Something else that can be done in preparation for a storm would be to buy insulating material for your windows to help prevent the cold from seeping in through the cracks, especially if you live in an older house. You can't go wrong with a big, fluffy blanket either. The more fleece, the better.

For everyone:

The power can go out during big winter storms, which can affect anyone. For this, it is important to be prepared and invest in the following things:

- Flashlight
- Extra batteries
- Candles and matches (Not for people in the dorms)
- Foods that do not need to be kept hot or cold (With a power outage there will be no microwave or

refrigerator power)

- Portable battery chargers for your phone
- Bottled water
- Lots of blankets

While this is all emergency type stuff for snow storms, there are also a few fun investments that could help keep spirits high on a cold day when you are snowed in. Make sure you have some board games or a deck of cards on hand, as they are always a good way to spend a day inside and you don't need power. Another good investment could be hand warmers, it is not a necessity but if the heat goes out, it could be a nice commodity.

Being prepared for snow storms is important, especially when living in Kansas. By the time the storm warning hits, everyone will be heading to the store and you may not get everything you need. So while it may not seem necessary now, investing in snow supplies could pay off in the long-run.

Transitional pieces for that "in-between" weather

BY LIZ HOLSWORTH
THE COLLEGIAN

During this time of the year, deciding what to wear can be a challenge. With chilly mornings, warm afternoons and infrequent rain showers, always making sure you are dressed properly isn't an easy task. That's where transitional pieces come in.

What are transitional pieces?

The idea of a transitional piece is simple – an article of clothing that can take your summer pieces to fall. For those who aren't quite ready to give up their summer clothes or who don't want to go buy a fall wardrobe, wearing transitional pieces can be beneficial. Looking at your closet, you likely already own some of these key pieces.

Jackets

The most commonly thought

of transitional piece is the jacket. While cotton hooded jackets are the standard, think something with a little more structure. Leather jackets, anoraks and denim jackets can bring comfort and style to your chilly morning walk to campus.

Jackets are typically your last piece to your outfit. Natalie Bennett, junior in nutrition and kinesiology, said she gets cold easily so she likes jackets.

"I like that they are an addition to my outfit," she said. "If I am wearing something cute I don't want to cover it up."

Her personal favorite is the leather jacket because they are not too bulky and are still warm.

"They make a great transitional piece because you can wear them with so much," Bennett said.

The classic cardigan

Another transitional piece is the classic cardigan. Cardigans come in a variety of different styles, colors, buttons or no buttons – there are styles for every personality.

Cardigans are great because they can be worn with anything. Nothing is too dressy or too casual for them.

Button-up shirts

One last great transitional piece not many people consider is button-up shirts. Denim button-ups and flannels are pieces for the more fashion conscious people. They can be tricky to style, but if pulled off they have a great look.

Guys

For most men, the idea of transitional pieces seems like a foreign concept, but it can be quite easy to do. One simple piece to add to your wardrobe is the quarter-zip, pull-over sweater. The pullover is a classic look but can be worn in neutral shades and bright colors. The best part is they can be worn over anything, making them great pieces for cold mornings. Another piece more and more men are wearing is the quilted vest. This is for the man who likes to take risks when it comes to

fashion. Vests can be worn casual or with a preppy look.

All about layers & balance

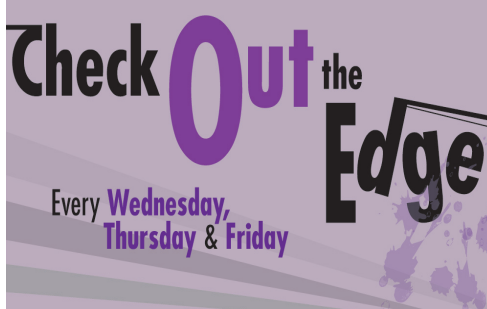
Sherry Haar, apparel marketing and textiles professor, said summer to fall is about layering.

"Adding jackets over summer tops or layering summer tops over longer sleeved tops. The term 'tops' here is broad to include both woven and knits," Haar said.

Samantha Bamford, senior in apparel marketing and textiles, said when it comes to transitional pieces it is all about balance.

"Mix long sleeve blouses and cardigans with shorts or tank tops with jeans," Bamford said. "The key is not covering up too much too early."

The weather in Manhattan is never consistent but by adding transitional pieces to your wardrobe, your outfits will be classic and put together. Even if it as simple as adding a jacket, these pieces are what take your wardrobe to the next level.

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Interim dean aims to promote increased diversity

By ARIEL CROCKETT
THE COLLEGIAN

Dr. Kimathi Choma was selected to be the interim assistant dean for diversity, recruitment and retention for the College of Arts & Sciences at K-State this spring. Though Choma comes from a veterinary medicine background, he is no novice to matters of diversity.

As interim assistant dean, Choma is responsible for increasing the recruitment and retention rates of diverse students.

Background

A New Jersey native, Choma received his doctoral degree in Veterinary Medicine from K-State in 2007 and moved to Nebraska before being recruited back to K-State by the College of Veterinary Medicine to serve as director for the Master of Public Health program in 2008.

"I helped MPH students find their field experience, which is their culminating experience they do once they are right about to graduate," Choma said.

Choma also worked as a recruiter for the veterinary medicine college for seven years. He recruited all students but he did



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so with a focus on racial diversity.

Goals

After working so closely with diversity in recruitment, Choma decided to apply for his current position.

The primary focus of Choma's position is to increase the recruitment and retention rates of underrepresented minority and majority students in the College of Arts and Sciences.

"There's a disparity between the two, the retention of under-

represented minority students and majority students," Choma said. "First I want to close that gap."

Choma seeks to increase the six-year graduation rate for all students from 53 percent towards the college's goal of 70 percent. He said the mentorship of graduate assistants and students is one of the ways to reach that goal.

"Retaining diverse students is a part of retaining all students because they intermingle," Choma said. "I also promote diver-

sity. I do that by putting people first — valuing people, valuing how people self-identify. I think you have the right to say, 'I'm African American,' or 'I'm of LGBTQ status.' I believe we have to create an opportunity for all students — all people, really — to excel."

Choma said It's about celebrating a spirit of inclusion and equality at K-State.

Challenges

According to some students, that feeling of inclusion is something that could make a big difference.

"The retention rate is a problem," Darius Ford, sophomore in sociology, said. "With my experience, I feel like professors really don't care as much as they should. Especially being a minority in a predominantly white institution, I feel like my professors really don't go the extra yard to help me succeed."

Ford said he feels as though this lack of support is to blame for the low, four to six year graduation rate.

Ford said African Americans make up a small portion of the population compared to more than 18,000 white students at K-State. Ford said he believes the low graduation for African American students at K-State is

a problem.

Impact

If Choma's plan for celebrating inclusion and equality is successful, it may make a difference in making every organization feel equally supported.

Choma said one approach to removing barriers is to build alliances around people's non-visual commonalities. For instance, some students may feel as though international students and American students don't converse with one another.

"Once we sit down and find things that we have in common — no matter who we are — then we can interact more and break down some of those perceived barriers," Choma said. "So recognize we are different on the outside, but find ways you're alike on the inside."

Moving forward

Only time will tell if Choma's plans for increasing retention rates will succeed, but so far, it seems the majority of his goals directly align with that of the needs and wants of some minority students.

"We're breaking down barriers to success and we're helping all students to feel this sense of inclusion, of 'I belong here,'" Choma said.

Returning performers continue holiday traditions for music festival

By EMILY MOORE
THE COLLEGIAN

Christmas music. It generally begins after Thanksgiving and is meant to get people in the holiday spirit. However, the Manhattan Town Center is offering its own take to holiday music that involves a month-long festival and a variety musical groups from all across the community. The performances take place in the food court, or Picnic Place, in Manhattan Town Center.

Jocelyn Guilfoyle, mar-

keting manager at Manhattan Town Center, said this event is open to the community and allows for a diverse set of performances. Guilfoyle said that all that is needed for a group performance to be scheduled, is for them to fill out a registration form that can be found at the Customer Service Center.

"We always send out invites to local schools and area churches and different people who have performed with us before, like soloists or other groups," Guilfoyle said. "A lot of our returning performers will be back. They are

ones that have come back every single year."

One of those returning groups is Manhattan Bates Dance Studio. Heidi Hilton, the director of the Bates Dance Studio in Manhattan, said that not only is the festival good for the dancers, but it also helps celebrate the season.

"It's a great opportunity for our dancers to showcase what they have been working on for these past months," Hilton said. "It's just a great, joyful season and a great time to celebrate."

According to Guilfoyle,

the event has become a tradition and Manhattan Town Center exercises the ability to involve the community with it.

"I think it's just one of our many great traditions of being a community center and opening up our space for things like this to take place," Guilfoyle said. "We are a good venue for large scale events like this. People really enjoy coming in and you know this time of year, it's great to be inside because it's so cold outside."

One of the Holiday Festival's other returning per-

formers is the Tuba Christmas group. The group has about 60 to 70 participants and has been returning to the festival for years. Steve Maxwell, coordinator of Tuba Christmas and associate professor of music at K-State, said agreed that the venue is a large space, making it an ideal venue for a group of tuba players.

"It's just a great venue because it's just such a big space for my group to perform," Maxwell said. "It's hard fit 70 tubas in most places."

Maxwell also talked about how the venue allows for the music to spread joy

to so many people because of the high attendance at the mall.

"We have really enjoyed coming back year after year," Maxwell said. "It's such a busy time in the mall in December and it's just so fun to perform. Everyone seems so cheerful this time of the year."

The cheerful music began on the last day of November and will continue throughout the month of December. A schedule of performers that is updated weekly can be found at the Holiday Festival stage or in the Customer Service Center.

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Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

If you're happily single this week and a lover of great pleasures, be prepared to have many memorable moments. Just don't expect to, y'know, actually remember any of them.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

You would be wise to listen to the wisdom of the stars and remember that now is not a good time to pursue impossible dreams. For you Capricorn, that's just about all of them. I think I saw a "now hiring" sign over at the Arby's, though.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

This week, spend some time contemplating the less fortunate. Or as you would put it, "pretty much everyone who isn't me."

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

Your relationships with your co-workers continues to improve. You might even say things are going well. Expect relations to keep improving even further, especially after that flask of vodka you dumped into the punch bowl at the office party last week.

Aries (March 21 - April 19)

The interior of your home is becoming more welcoming to guests after you roommate stumbles home, forgets what doorknobs are for and leaves a vaguely body-shaped hole in your flimsy front door.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20):

Health-wise, you need to be more careful lately. Refrain from seafood, too rich or too spicy foods or Thai takeout... hasn't Kansas had enough seismic activity for one year?

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)

A new life will be promised to you soon: new contacts, new engagements, growing friendships, a prospect of movement, social promotion or a good old-fashioned pregnancy scare.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)

If you decide to exploit your hidden talents, you could surprise yourself. Everyone knows you took that pole aerobics course for "health benefits," but your aptitude for picking up dollar bills with your butt might prove more lucrative in the long run.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)

Beware of those within your social circle who like to have fun by speaking ill of you. Actually, beware of everyone. Because, let's be honest, that's pretty much everybody.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

You seem to be experiencing very interesting results in your work lately, especially if you have recently attended an office party with a Pisces.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)

Try to stifle your impulse to be critical of others, otherwise you'll not escape a domestic scene. And who wants to spend their week in jail (again)?

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

This week will shower you will many happy moments of the heart, but expect vague pains in the abdominal zone if you have recently gone out to dinner with a Taurus. Maybe next time you should pick the restaurant?

Writing Center looks to improve writers, not grades

By JAMIE TEIXEIRA
THE COLLEGIAN

Students who struggle with writing papers for class might find help in the Writing Center on campus.

Located in the Counseling Services building, adjacent to Hale library, the center has been a program at K-State since 1957. The center is available to all students wanting to get help on school papers, theses, dissertations and those who want a pair of trained eyes on their personal projects.

Cydney Alexis, assistant professor of English and director of the center, said it is a place where any student can come to share his or her writing and get feedback from a third party who is not going to evaluate him or her.

"Writing centers are collaborative spaces," Alexis said. "Writing tutors help writers to strengthen or deepen their understanding of the writing process."

A typical session is a one-on-one meeting with a student tutor. The student reads his or her paper and the tutor provides feedback about the paper as a whole.

"The focus is on the tutor working with the student and the two of them together helping improve the paper and the person long-term," Sierra Hale, graduate student in English and writing tutor, said. "We aren't concerned with making sure all of the grammar is correct in the paper and you get an A."

The center intends to help students learn about the writing process and become an overall strong writer. Its research proves that if the writing process is improved, the student can repeat it to ensure future success.

"Slowly (tutees) come to understand their own writing process... maybe even enjoy writing... rather than (as) necessary evil," Hale said.

Alexis is new to both the center and K-state faculty this year, but has extensive training under her belt.

"I was trained pretty intensively," Alexis said. "I worked for seven years at Wisconsin-Madison as a tutor and assistant directed the writing fellows program and first year writers program."

The director of the center is not the only one who has undergone intensive training. According to Alexis, Writing Center practices are "unique and supported by qualitative and quantitative research and theory that's been developed for more than a century."

"Writing tutors are very extensively trained," said Alexis. "Everything that

we do at the center has research supporting it."

The undergraduate and graduate tutors have undergone hours of training before starting on their own.

"First you have to take the course English 500 and observe a high quantity of sessions," Alexis said. "You undergo an apprenticeship which includes co-tutoring then practicing by leading your own session. We have monthly staff meetings and two orientations a term, and our tutors have a professional development responsibility each term."

In addition to the training, the tutors continue to research, write and present at national conferences to stay updated. Hale said the training has helped her as

glisch, geography, psychology, personal statements and most recently a video project.

"I think that it doesn't matter what class you're taking," he said. "Whatever involves writing you can guarantee you are going to be helped."

The center is open to all, regardless of their major. The center is a place for all writers, not just those who think they need help. Alexis said it's important that every writer has a reader.

"We want to see the strong writers and the ones who don't identify as writers, and we also serve every discipline on campus," Alexis said. "We love English majors but we're here to work with physics majors, history majors ... (and)



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The Writing Center is home to many tutoring programs at K-State. Students of any major are welcome to come by for help. **Rachel Smith**, senior in English, helps **Muchen Geng**, sophomore in business administration, with her research paper.

much, if not more, than she has helped others.

"My own writing has improved dramatically and my awareness of the writing process," Hale said. "I learned a lot about writing."

Just as Hale and the other tutors help the students learn about writing, the tutors are learning about all sorts of things from the tutees.

"I learned a lot about other topics," Hale said. "(The) history of math, psychology, things that I have no idea about. I get to hear all of this information from different disciplines... not just English."

Abdulaziz Alreshoud, junior in biology, uses the services offered by the center frequently and said it's a helpful place for all. Alreshoud has received help on various projects including, En-

chemical engineers."

A majority of the funding to the center comes through funding from the Student-Centered Tuition Enhancement program, which funds other programs on campus like K-State First, Wildcat Watch and the Diversity Programming Council.

Alexis and her staff at the center said they want everyone to feel comfortable enough to bring in their writing. So, when working on a paper or need help brainstorming, the center is a place for everyone. The Writing Center is located in 122D on the main floor of the English and Counseling Services building. Hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Friday from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and Sunday is available for walk-ins at Hale from 6-9 p.m.



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K-State bounces back from Maui with home win

By TATE STEINLAGE
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K-State expected that its nine-day road trip was going to be a challenge. They also understood that their return home would be no cakewalk, either. After dropping their final two games at the 2014 Maui Invitational last week, including a 70-47 blowout to Pittsburgh, the Wildcats responded with an 84-66 win over Nebraska-Omaha Tuesday at Bramlage Coliseum.

K-State will return to action Saturday on the road against Tennessee. The game is a part of the Big 12-SEC Challenge and will tip at 2:15 p.m.

The Mavericks entered no slouch, having previously knocked off Marquette on the road, while also playing close to Nebraska in Lincoln.

“Our staff, we were scared,” K-State head coach Bruce Weber said after the game. “We were trying to make sure the team was scared. We led the scouting tape off with 24-7 against Nebraska, showed the score beating Marquette, then Nevada, they win by 20. We knew it was going to be a tough game. To our guys’ credit, enough guys stepped up and made plays. Once we ran offense, took care of the ball and were patient, we were able to get what we wanted.”

Senior forward Nino Williams led the home team in scoring Tuesday with 19 points as K-State moved to 4-3 on the season. Marcus Foster added 16 points and Jevon Thomas added 12.

K-State finished the game shooting 53 percent on 32 of 60 shooting, including 43 percent from 3-point range. The Wildcats were also big on the boards, outrebounding Nebraska-Omaha 43 to 25.

Inconsistent to start the ballgame, K-State bounced

back with a series of runs to take a 60-48 advantage early in the second half. Williams then went on a tear, scoring K-State’s next 11 points on four layups and a 3-pointer.

“I was just playing, I didn’t even think I had that many points,” Williams said. “The game got energized, and once the game got energized, Jevon Thomas and I gave energy and we just played. Jevon made a couple good assists. It was a good team win and we had 23 assists so everybody was finding each other.”

Leading 69-50 at that point, K-State cruised to the easy victory. Nebraska-Omaha pulled within 14 points with five minutes remaining, but had three players foul out to end the game.

Senior guard C.J. Carter, who entered the game averaging 16.6 points a contest, led the Mavericks in scoring with 22 points. The only other Nebraska-Omaha player in double figures was freshman Rylan Murry with 11 points.

A strong start from Nebraska-Omaha saw the Mavericks take a 16-10 lead midway through the first half. K-State’s first lead of the game didn’t come until the 7:30 mark when Thomas hit his first of two 3-pointers.

Nebraska-Omaha regained the lead four minutes later on a 3-pointer of its own from Carter, but on the other end, Marcus Foster hit a jumper to spark 13-2 run late in the first half to give the Wildcats a 37-31 advantage heading into the break.

Stephen Hurt and Justin Edwards combined for eight points during the run — Foster with four.

K-State finished the first half 46.7 percent from the field on 14 of 30 shooting, hitting seven of their final 10 shots after opening the half shooting just 35 percent.

Facing a deficit early in the second half, Nebraska-Omaha pulled within six points on back-to-back



K-State forward **Nino Williams** looks to pass during the game against Nebraska-Omaha on Tuesday at Bramlage Coliseum. K-State defeated Omaha-Nebraska 84-66.

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3-pointers by Murry and Devin Patterson. However, it was the closest they would get to being back in the game.

“I wish we played a little bit better down the stretch,” Nebraska-Omaha head coach Derrin Hansen said after the game. “Their number of bodies ended up wearing us out down the stretch. They’re a really well-coached team, we’re happy to be here tonight and have battled them for 33, 34 minutes but it wasn’t enough.”

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Student athletes stress importance of time management, balancing school, play

By ERICA YOUNG
THE COLLEGIAN

To many, being a student athlete at a Division I school like K-State might seem like a great deal. But those athletes have to put in a lot of time at practice and stay in shape to keep their scholarships. Dedicated 15-20 hours a week to their sport can be difficult, but it becomes harder with the challenge of being a full-time student. Effective time management can help student athletes do well both in the classroom and on the field, all while having a little time to themselves.

Connor Knabe, sophomore in marketing and member of K-State's golf team, said he spends 8-10 hours a week studying. Knabe is currently enrolled in 12 credit hours and has required team practice three hours a day during the week. When he does have free time he goes out, practices on his own, does homework, studies, sleeps or hangs out with his teammates.

"With golf, you can't just prac-

tice with your team, you have to get out there on your own and get better," he said.

When he's not in class, Knabe said he likes to spend time sleeping, watching TV, hanging out with his teammates and friends.

"My advice to incoming students is to learn your schedule and set time for practice and class," Knabe said.

Ashley Jones, junior in social science and member of the women's basketball team spends eight to nine hours a week studying. Jones has a busy schedule with class in the morning followed by study hall, practice for three hours and dinner before she can go home and rest. When Jones isn't playing or in class she said she likes resting and catching up on shows on Netflix.

Jones said it's important for student athletes to stay consistent, study, work hard and don't take anything for granted.

"it might seem tough coming in your freshman year cause you have to balance your time management and schedule," Jones said.

Dalton Converse, junior in nu-

trition and kinesiology and member of the football team has study hours six hours a week. Being on the football team, Converse said he gets four to five hours of sleep a night.

"I have to stay up late to do homework and study because football never stops," Converse said.

Converse said he keeps track of everything he needs to do for the day using a binder provided to him by his coaches.

Converse's advice to incoming student athletes is to prioritize yourself and plan out your day.

Since they are constantly on the move, time management is a skill that student athletes need to master. To be successful on the field and in the classroom. But it is skill that is practical and valuable to life outside of college and athletics. Learning this skill can help ease the process and transition after college.

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K-State forward **Ashley Jones** goes up for a basket around a UMKC player during the basketball game on Nov. 11 in Bramlage Coliseum. K-State defeated UMKC 65-36.



Club sports briefs

compiled by Adam Suderman
Past week/weekend:

Disc Golf:

The team competed in the the Midsouth Collegiate Open in Jonesboro, Arkansas. The tournament had a 48-member field.

They placed fifth and the top finishers were senior Josh Carroll and senior Jacob Patchen in a 12th-place tie. Junior David Moreno finished in a tie for 24th and senior Ian Waters finished in a tie for 35th.

Swimming:

On Nov. 22, the team traveled to Lawrence for the Kansas Meet. The combined team score was 151, which was good for seventh place. The men place seventh

with 131 points and the women placed eighth with 20 points.

Upcoming weekend:

Women's Volleyball:

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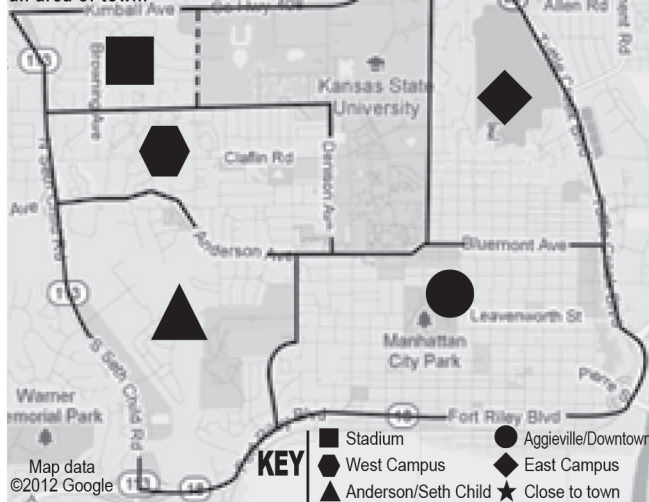
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BRIEFS | Alumni visit College of Architecture, Planning, Design

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According to News and Communications Services, four alumni of the College of Architecture, Planning and Design will be returning to K-State Thursday and Friday. They will visit with current students and be honored at a luncheon for their suc-

cess after their graduation in 2004.

The honorees are Jason Gregory (Wichita, Kansas); Brian Pelcak (St. Louis, Missouri); Benedict Ehreth (Bismarck, North Dakota); and Gregory Thomas Spaw (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania). Their professional work will be on display in Seaton Hall's Chang Gallery through Friday.

CITY COMM | Law board appointments made by Mayor

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discussion was tabled for a later date.

The West Anderson Avenue Transportation Project was also discussed. No action was taken, though commissioners discussed possible funding options, project options and the use of roundabouts or traffic signals at the intersections of Anderson Avenue and Scenic Drive; and Anderson Avenue and Kimball Avenue.

Last on the general agenda was the discussion of Riley County Law Board appointments. Butler appointed Usha Reddi, city commissioner; Craig Beardsley, Manhattan resident; and Joe Knopp, Manhattan resident, to the board. These appointments caused some argument among the commissioners.

"I thought (the appointments were) unacceptable," Reddi said.

According to Reddi and McCulloh, they are being treated unfairly by the other members of the city commission and the mayor because they are women. Reddi said that she felt McCulloh should have been appointed.

"We have been treated like second class citizens," McCulloh said. "(The other commissioners) have to start treating us like equals."

Butler, John Matta, city commissioner, and Rich Jankovich, city commissioner, denied these accusations.

"I do not feel (McCulloh) will go the extra mile," Butler said.

After two different motions were denied trying to close the discussion, Jankovich motioned to appoint Butler and Reddi in the commissioner positions on the law board and Matta and McCulloh for the citizen positions on the board. The motion was approved three to two.

Veteran players remember 2012 loss to Baylor Bears 'like it was yesterday'

By TATE STEINLAGE
THE COLLEGIAN

In five years, Ryan Mueller has lost more than a dozen games in a K-State uniform. Only a few stack up to the disappointment from two years ago in Waco, Texas.

The loss, of course, was a 52-24 drubbing by Baylor that cost the Wildcats a potential national championship bid and a spotless 10-0 record. K-State had climbed to No. 1 in the nation prior to the matchup.

"That was definitely one of the most painful losses I've ever suffered here, just because it had national championship implications," Mueller said recently. "I remember that game like it was yesterday, we went in there thinking we were going to win it and nothing went our way. It was weird. It was a weird environment."

Two years later, the No. 9 Wildcats (9-2, 7-1) head to Waco to battle the No. 5 Bears (10-1, 7-1) in similar fashion, with a Big 12 title on the line.

At the team's weekly press conference on Tuesday, several K-State players took time to recollect memories from that loss. Their words were evidence that the hurt from that game was still present.

"I remember looking around and coach Snyder looking in our eyes," junior defensive back, Morgan Burns, said. "He wasn't really mad at us, he just saw that there was a lot of emotion and that we truly cared and were really upset — that was really important to him. I remember Ryan Mueller truly being emotional, there were tears after that game. Once you put so much time and effort into a season — preparation and practice all year around — it's hard when you lose something like that, when your goals are right in front of you and they fall."

This year, there is at least a share of the Big 12 Conference Championship on the line, if not more. It is surprising, then, to hear that avenging the 2012 loss isn't on many — if any — of the players' minds.

"Not too many guys have really brought up that game, or brought up two years ago," Burns said. "Right now we're focused on winning the Big 12. I'm real-



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Raising his hands in frustration, senior quarterback **Collin Klein** reacts to the instant replay call that his run did not break the plane of the endzone in the fourth quarter against Baylor at Floyd Casey Stadium on Nov. 18, 2012. The Wildcats lost their first game of the season 24-52 to the Bears.

ly surprised they haven't brought it up, because being down there I remember that game and it was a hard loss — we had a lot on the line."

Part of that exists because of the K-State mentality of treating each and every game like the last in terms of importance and preparation. The other is the fact that the Wildcats have lost the last two meetings against Baylor, and the previous three in Waco.

"We lost to them last year too," senior linebacker, Jonathan Truman, said. "A lot of people talk about the 2012 loss, but I'm not thinking about it too much. I'm focused on this team right now and we're excited to go play."

If there's a third reason, it's the differences between that year and this one. At the time of the loss in 2012, Baylor was unranked at 5-5 and 2-5 in the Big 12. It was also led by first-and-only-year quarterback Nick Florence.

Meanwhile, K-State was unbeaten and led by a host of upperclassmen, including Heisman finalist quarterback Collin Klein.

The scenery has changed as well. Baylor has moved out of Floyd Casey Stadium and into McLane Stadium, which has been loud and intimate in 2014.

"It's going to be a different environment," Mueller said. "We know what they're capable of, they know what we're capable of. It's just going to come down to who's going to prepare better and play better. We're going to do whatever it takes."

To those who were on that team in 2012 and to those who only recently joined the program, Saturday is an opportunity to ease the pain of one loss and to celebrate another with a third, Big 12 title.

"That's just a loss that has left an indelible mark on me," Mueller said. "A lot of the seniors around here — Jonathan Truman, Tyler Lockett — we weren't seniors, leaders on that team. I can only imagine how the upperclassmen of that year felt, because I felt it and I only played about 25 snaps in that game. That's a game that cost us a lot, and we have a chance to kind of erase it and end on a positive note."

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